

Appl. No. 09/335,520

REMARKS

Applicant previously filed an RCE along with an amendment that cancelled rejected Claims 1-24, and added new Claims 25-39. Original Claims 1-24 were directed to apparatus for data entry at a gaming table, whereas new Claims 25-39 were directed to a method for recording gaming table transactions.

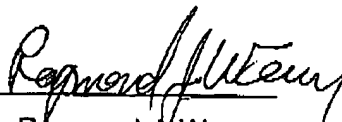
Applicant received a Notice of Non-Compliance (Mailing Date 24 September 2004) indicating the Examiner's conclusion that the apparatus and method Claims were directed to distinct inventions, and that since the apparatus Claims were originally presented for examination, it is the apparatus invention that has been constructively elected.

Applicant has rewritten the Claims so as to be in apparatus format, consistent with the constructively elected invention.

If a further telephone conversation would in any way facilitate the prosecution of this matter, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned representative at 503.466.2294.

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